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On Saturday before the fifth Sunday in June, delegates from quite a number of churches in Lauderdale county met at Oak Grove Church for the purpose of organizing a County Association. Thirteen churches expressed a desire to enter the new organization, with definite promises from others to come in later. Under these favorable auspices a Provisional Association was organized, it being agreed that all the churches would work through their old Associations during this year.

The Provisional County Association will meet with Pleasant Hill Church, six miles southeast of Meridian, on Saturday before the third Sunday in October, 1902, for the purpose of permanent organization.

We feel that we can accomplish more for the Master by a compact county organization than is possible with our forces scattered. To this end, we earnestly and cordially invite all Baptist churches in the county to join us, and also all outside the county that desire to work with us.

CHAS. G. ELLIOTT, Moderator.
W. H. STINSON, Clerk.

Baptists are charged with being "selfish" and as a proof of their "bigotry" the cry is raised of "close communion." This latter charge is singularly applied to their observance of the Lord's Supper. Communion is with Christ; fellowship is with brethren.

As a "sect" we have been spoken against from the days of the apostles until now, and generally without just cause—often with absolute misrepresentation. This fact can be established by history and in a modified sense is true today. With this introduction, suppose we note some cases of co-operation.

The International Sunday School Convention is composed of nearly all the so-called Evangelical denominations. Baptists are leaders in this organization. On its Lesson Committee were such men as B. F. Jacobs, Warren Randolph, Jno. A. Broadus, and later J. M. Stifler and J. R. Sampey.

On its Executive Committee are W. N. Hartshorn, L. C. Broughton, J. T. Buck, and others. All the foregoing are leading Baptists. Among the public speakers at this session are A. C. Dixon, now of Boston; G. C. Lorimer, of New York, and E. G. Mullins, of Louisville. These are prominent in our denomination, and all present and taking part in the Convention.

Great unanimity has been manifested on the temperance question—indeed, it may be said that the Convention is radical

along this line. It is remarkable, too, for its sentiment against the use of tobacco by ministers and other teachers. Smoking is a rare sight among the delegates—almost none in public, and no promiscuous spitting.

These lines are hastily written, more by way of an introduction than anything else; for more time must be taken for discussion. But before closing it may be well to state that a very large congregation attended the Central Baptist Church Sunday morning to hear an uplifting sermon by Dr. Lorimer, and at night by Dr. Sampey. The Sunday School, at 12 m., was addressed by Dr. Dixon.

L. A. DUNCAN.

The Committee on Co-operation appointed by the Southern Baptist Convention, at Asheville, N. C., met in New Decatur, Ala., June 26, 1902. Rev. A. V. Rowe, D. D., was made Moderator. After a delightful conference they unanimously made the following recommendations:

PLAN FOR THE WORK OF ELICITING AND COMBINING.

1. The enlistment of all the denominational papers in a specific effort in the direction of eliciting co-operation in our general work.

2. The printing of statistics showing the gifts of each church in every Association. The furnishing of these statistics to the State Secretaries for their use in their work, and to keep these statistics before the people in every way possible.

3. A concerted movement to induce all the churches to use the Associational letter blanks prepared by the Committee on Co-operation. To try to induce them to fill every blank, and this to be followed year by year until uniformity in our denominational statistics is attained.

4. A concerted movement to induce each State Convention to give to the work of eliciting a distinct place in the deliberations, and to give full time for its discussion, and to request that the District Associations do the same.

5. A well considered effort to revitalize and broaden the Associations in their work, so as to induce them not only to pass reports favoring the work of the Boards, but to provide for collections, aiming to secure a collection from each church and as nearly as possible from each member, for each approved object.

6. Holding Baptist rallies, mass meetings, institutes, and the like, in every section of the country, so as to educate the masses, to develop a healthy mission sentiment, and to develop leaders everywhere who will take up and push forward the

work in their churches and sections. Special pains being taken to develop talent for the Master's service.

7. Preparation and circulation of timely literature covering the whole ground of denominational development.

J. B. GAMBRELL, Texas,
Chairman of Committee.
A. V. ROWE, Miss.
E. O. WARE, La.
W. B. CRUMPTON, Ala.
S. Y. JAMISON, Ga.
R. J. WILLINGHAM, Va.
F. C. MCCONNELL, Ga.
A. J. HOLT, Tenn., Secretary.

Quite a number of the leading business men of the State met in Jackson last week and passed resolutions asking the Governor to call a special session of the Legislature to remedy certain

grievous defects in the insurance laws, as these gentlemen conceived it, which, if they are not changed will operate greatly against the people in handling the present growing crop of cotton. The Governor met with them, made them a talk, promising to look into the matter; but telling them at the same time, that the legislature that would be convened in extra session would be the same legislature that was in session early in the year, and, that they refused to take up the question then. Now, hasty legislation is the worst sort of legislation, and gives the country a great deal of trouble and expense. We have many examples of that sort of law making, and don't want any more of it. If the extra session is called, it ought to be with the understanding that plenty of time is to be given to the matter, which will cost the State, no doubt, as much as the people would lose by the operation of the present laws. Let us have good men in the legislature, and let them have plenty of time to do good and lasting work—and, if they squander the time, let the people see to it that they are kept at home ever afterwards. We ought to have the best men in the State, from every county, in the legislature. Men that you can't buy, sell, bluff nor deceive; men who know a thing when they see it, and will do a thing when it ought to be done. Then we will not be troubled with so much "extra" legislation.

Variety is said to be the spice of life, but when applied to life-work it will not buy bread nor keep the children in shoes.

Consider what you would like to do best; find out what you can do best; and then do your best every time. No work is good that you can make better.

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Our Paper.

THE BAPTIST has now been in existence nearly four years. Its sailing has not been altogether over smooth seas. There have been some difficulties along the way which have hindered its progress. Two seasons of yellow fever in the first two years hindered much. The presence of two other papers which sought and received considerable support from our people, especially in the northern part of the State, were in the way of extending our circulation more generally and more rapidly. And following along with the other hindrances were two short crops and a general rise in prices of all food stuffs and material necessary in operating a paper. We are paying 30 per cent more for paper now than when THE BAPTIST was started. As a result of these short crops North Mississippi has suffered most.

Added to these adverse conditions is a small loss by fire sustained by our paper last September, of approximately \$260.00.

But on the other hand it gives real pleasure to advert to the favorable aspects of the situation. The almost uniform courtesy and helpfulness of the brethren throughout the State have given us good cheer when otherwise the way would have been dark and the burdens too heavy. Foremost among those who have proved a real help in discharging the difficult duties of conducting the paper stands my honored and loved predecessor in the editorial chair, Dr. J. B. Searcy. During the first year there were some dark hours—hours when nothing but faith was available. In these Dr. Searcy's wise counsel and undaunted faith were invaluable to the present editor. Many others, as they had opportunity, rendered greatly appreciated help.

During the conventional year now closing we have made a net gain of over 1,000 subscribers. This has been done largely through the faithful work of our fieldmen, Revs. J. J. W. Adams, E. M. Long, O. M. Lucas and E. L. Jones. These brethren are doing a great work, and are worthy

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of much honor. We take occasion here to thank the Baptists of the State generally for their kind hospitality almost universally extended to these worthy brethren. In doing this, you become really "fellow-helpers to the truth."

The Lord having so greatly blessed us in the increase of subscribers during the closing year, we confidently keep our faces toward him and ask and expect that he will reward our honest efforts with another thousand by the close of the ensuing conventional year.

The larger part of our compensation for the hard labor bestowed upon the work of running THE BAPTIST consists in the reflection that God has used the paper in the furtherance of his cause.

We desire that it shall grow in usefulness, and we earnestly ask the prayers and co-operation of the entire brotherhood of the State. We ought out of more than 100,000 white Baptists in the State, to have at least 10,000 subscribers. This would give one paper to every ten Baptists.

The Victory.

The news that flashed over the wires, July 1, that the endowment effort in behalf of Mississippi College, was a success, brought joy to many hearts, although it was assured before hand. The case was very much like that of Uncle Remus' rabbit that found the necessity of climbing up on the outside of a tree once in life, or be caught by the dogs. We had to raise the money or be caught in a predicament from which we could never extricate ourselves.

The going of the president of the college up and down in the State was an occasion where triumph followed triumph so rapidly as to make the work one of continual delight. That he worked hard goes without saying; but the giving, on the part of most of those who gave was so hilarious, as to make it comparatively easy on the part of a w's canvasser. In the wisdom and tact displayed in the campaign and the success resulting therefrom, Dr. Lowrey has covered himself with glory, sharing it most generously with all those who had a hand in it. And now that success has come, how happy all of us are, that we were permitted to have a share in it.

But what shall we do next? Much there is to be done now, and there is no time to lose in getting at it. The matter of enlarging the work and usefulness of the college must engage our attention for all time to come. With the increase in the patronage that we can reasonably expect, we shall before many years need more teaching force. Then, the cottages on the campus—the most beautiful campus by nature in this State—must be torn away, as they should have been ten years ago, and be replaced by new and commodious dormitories. The next money that is spent for repairs, on and about the college, ought to go for this kind of improvement, in the accommodation for those students who are not able to board in private families.

Everything ought to take on an air of real and genuine prosperity about the college now. It ought to be in the air and in the

blood of the people. It ought to result in bringing 300 boys together within her halls this next fall. We have them in our homes; let every man and woman of us be on a special committee to see that they go.

We feel like giving three cheers to Dr. Lowrey, the Educational Society, Mississippi Baptists, and everybody else who helped in the noble work.

The Law's Delay.

Early in the year when the Circuit Court of Hinds County convened in the city of Jackson, the Grand Jury returned indictments against some of the many clubs that now infest the city, for selling whisky. These indictments were brought forward to the present term of court, the clubs going right on with their business.

At the opening of the present session of the court, Judge Powell took up nearly the whole of his "charge" to the jury, in telling them to search high and low, and especially "high," for these violators of the laws of the State of Mississippi, and bring them into court. The Grand Jury did as they were charged. One case was set for trial. The jury was picked up about town. The case was made out. One man swore that he bought whisky, which was not denied. The Jury retired; and according to a report of one of the city papers, they said, "All of you club men stand over here," and over they went, and out they came with a "not guilty" verdict. The Judge seemed enraged; and after a few sharp words, dismissed them as incompetent, carrying all the other like cases, over to the next term of court—just what the club-men want, if they mean to sell whisky, as they doubtless do.

Now, the Judge did right in dismissing that jury, but he grievously erred in carrying those cases over to the next term of Court. He should have called another jury, and proceeded with the other cases, if it had taken him all the term. We are told, and reliably, we think, that all these clubs have U. S. revenue license to sell whisky, in order to shield them from Judge Nile's court, which fact, if it be a fact, is prima facie evidence in Judge Powell's court that they are selling. They seem to dread Judge Niles; but laugh at Judge Powell. In the meantime the laws of the State are left bleeding in the streets, trampled under the feet of men who boast that they can do it and do it with impunity. The Judge owes it to his oath, owes it to this community, owes it to the criminal class themselves, to bring these men in high places to trial, and, if guilty, find them and sentence them to the county farm, just as he would any other common criminal before his court.

It is not enough that some of the clubs promise to quit in the future. They ought to be punished for having disregarded the law, and the courts in the past. Every law ought to be enforced against every wrong doer, and the higher up in society the transgressor is, the more flagrant his crime, and the greater his punishment ought to be. We believe that "crap-shooters" ought not to go unpunished; but, as

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between him and the gambler that sits in the third story of a pressed brick building, and under the glare of the electric lights, and by open windows where the world can see (from the opposite windows) the crap shooter's offense is small. Bring the big sinners against law and order to trial occasionally, and the little fellows will be deterred from wrong doing thereby.

We do not need any "horse play," nor "playing to the galleries" in a matter that so seriously concerns the peace and happiness of our homes, the safety of our boys, and the respect that men must give to law. If men won't obey law, they must be forced to obey it. That is what courts are for. Nor ought there be any unnecessary delay. Delay is what has demoralized this community now and made lawlessness defiant in our very streets. The good people have been looking forward with a good deal of anxiety, to see what the courts would do, and they have simply done nothing, saying to the people wait until next time.

Is there no recourse? Must a long suffering community still suffer on? Must the work of demoralization and ruin go on, and our courts that are run at great cost for that special purpose, fold their hands and say, we are powerless, we can do nothing! God forbid.

The Country Pastor.

Let the time never come when the country preacher's voice is no more to be heard in the land. Second to no man who has figured in the affairs of men he has been a power for good. He has been a leader in the highest and holiest sense of the word. He has championed every good cause, and opposed, with might and main, every evil one. He has organized and developed churches in every neighborhood, how-so-ever far removed from the great centers they may have been found. He has built up schools, supplied the homes of the people with Bibles, books and papers and helped many a poor boy and girl find their way to college who have since won the attention of the world for the brilliancy of their achievements in matters that make for the glory of God and the betterment of the race.

We have seen the country preacher, in fair and foul weather, when it was dry and when it was wet, when it was cold and when it was hot, when he was sick and when he was well, when he had a horse to ride and when he didn't, making his way to his appointment on Saturday, where he might bring a message of love and good cheer to all those who might gather to hear it, with a heroism that was sublime. We see him now and hear him hum his tune as he, in solemn meditation, goes along. Sometimes he would travel as much as forty miles to reach the place to preach, starting the day before from home, showing much sign of travel, as he arrived at the meeting house, in good time to have a friendly word with all those present, inquiring of the sick and the poor, as to how they fared.

We have seen him Sunday in the pulpit,

when the country for miles and miles around came to hear him preach. His sermon was long, strong and loud—he wanted the people to hear it, believe it and live it. And why should he not have preached long, as his people only heard him once a month? Why should he not have preached loud, as he had a large, packed house, to hear his message? Why should his message not have been strong, as he had a people to feed who enjoyed the meat as well as the milk of the Word? We have seen scores of people moved to repentance and faith under his eloquent pleadings. His theology had the right ring to it, touching all the subjects that range from the fire and brimstone of a real hell, to the radiant glories of the heavenly home. His work, though delightful, was hard and many a time carried him prematurely to his grave—but not unwept, nor unsung.

Through the progress of the years and the marvelous development of the country, many wonderful changes have taken place, many things added to and eliminated from our social and industrial life; but the country preacher remains with us still, with but few of the burdens of a former generation lightened—he does now have a "buggy" and a "grip," whereas before he was on horseback with "saddle-bags." We saw him the other day—we see him almost every day. He still drives as far as forty miles, sometimes, to reach his appointments, preaching to as many as six and seven churches, with a school house or two thrown in for convenience, just to keep up the habit of preaching—when and where it is needed. He said his salary was from six to seven hundred dollars, a very marked improvement over past years; that he wore out a horse every five years, and a buggy every three years; that he was trying to educate his children; and, that he and his wife and children give seventy-five dollars yearly to the beneficent work of the churches. But he added: "I am wearing out under it very fast—the travel is so heavy on me." He also added: "I know more about other people and their homes than I do about my own home, wife and children, I am away so much." Nor did he speak complainingly, but like a sensible man, in love with his work, although the hardships incident to its success are wearing him out before he gets to be old. But he is willing to spend and be spent for the cause he loves.

This writer has lived in the country and in town, and while the work of all our preachers is hard, as it should be, the country preacher has trials that few other mortals of like standing and usefulness have. Some of them could be greatly lessened if the churches would do what their ability and the surroundings demand, work themselves up to more time—from one-fourth to half, and then on to full time—but of this we will speak later. The country preacher seldom is found pining and whining about his "sad estate." Nor has he ever yet joined the ranks of the "not appreciated." He is, as a rule, contented and happy. He falls in with every good work. He is a good friend to all our denominational en-

terprises. He loves "THE BAPTIST," pays for it, reads it, has his people in ever increasing numbers to do so; he loves missions, as he loves everything else taught in the Bible, and gives to it, and has his people to do likewise; he loves the College—his Alma Mater, for he is a college man now-a-days, as a rule, but loves it whether he ever went to college or not; he believes in its endowment and general equipment; he goes to the Conventions, is put on committees, made Convention preacher, and in a hundred ways lends helpfulness to the cause of Christ. He will give money and have his church to join him in it, to build a church in town, just as willingly as he does in the country.

What would the world do without him to stand at the parting of the ways in her waste places and warn the hurrying multitudes of "the wrath to come?" What would our colleges do without his valuable assistance in looking up students with which to make their halls resound with the results of their burning "the midnight oil?" What would our town and city churches do without him to train the forces with which they are to do the great work that God has called them to in the future? What would our towns and cities come to if it were not for the steady stream of young life pouring into them from the country districts bearing in their foreheads the impress of the earnest teachings of a faithful county preacher, before the evil day came in upon them like a flood?

All honor to the faithful, consecrated, country preacher! May his tribe greatly increase with the coming years, and long may he live to see the work of the Lord prospering in his hands—until town and country blend, and earth and time dissolve and pass to be no more.

Notes and Comments.

In all his work, the Christian is to ask great things, attempt great things and expect great things from God.

Skeletons are good and useful, but we want them adorned with flesh and blood; so, likewise doctrines are good, but we want to adorn them with the flesh and blood of hard and earnest toil for Christ.

It looks as though the Pope will wish he had never seen Mr. Taft in the precincts of the Vatican—the old man is not getting as much "taffy" out of the "envoy to the Vatican" as he thought he would. He is in great danger of losing his "priestage," which he prizes very highly.

Dr. Broughton and his deacons, of the Tabernacle Church Atlanta, met and decided that "alien" immersion is valid baptism, whether the man who did it was authorized to do it, and believed in it or not. Dr. Landrum of the First Church, agrees with Broughton and his deacons. But it does not appear that anybody else in Georgia does—whereof we are glad. "Let everything be done in decency and in order," and "alien" baptism cannot measure up to that standard.

COLLEGE COLUMN.

BY M. M. LOWREY.

I got a going and couldn't stop. Yesterday, the first Sunday in July, I spent with the Provvidenza Church 12 miles from Hattiesburg. Rev. J. J. Rogers wanted me to visit his church before the time was out. I could not do that and so he said, "Come on after the 15th is out, my people want to help and do not want to be slighted. You will be surprised so as to be sure to collect the full amount during the next four years. Some of your notes will be of course full." So I went, I saw and I was conquered. There was about one-half of an acre of people on the ground. They could not all get into the house but they choked the door. They listened with intense interest and subscribed \$200.00. The pastor said that it had not been for the awful drought and the consequent dire discouragement the collection would have been much larger. It was fine as it was. I tell you there are noble people down there in those pine woods. The church is much pleased with Rogers, who is much pleased with the church and I am much pleased with all of them. The morning is to continue there this week with my brother, J. A. Scarborough in the afternoon. He will give them the pure gospel. They will give him generous entertainment and I trust a multitude of those fine young people will give Christ their hearts.

Read this fine letter from my royal classmate Dr. M. Barker of Delta, La. He made the biggest gift of any one living, outside of Mississippi. He is the ring of these noble words. I shall be former students showed the interest in their Alma Mater that good old Barker shows what a great institution we shall soon have. Here is his letter:

"DEAR LOWREY:

Yours just received. Whoop! Hurrah for us; didn't we get a big bear? I congratulate you. You have done nobly. You have done your part and more. This should only stimulate us to do greater things. When these notes have become due, let's raise \$500.00 more. I will give \$500.00. I shall make Mississippi College equal in every respect to any institution in the land. She already can offer advantages no other college can offer in some respects. All we need is a larger endowment. Let it be understood that this is only one of the things in the course. Our denominational schools must be endowed to compete with the richly endowed State and other schools. You are certainly entitled to a rest. Come over soon. I tell you it would be a great deal to make me a bottle of pop.

Yours truly, M. M. Lowrey and Mississippians everywhere! I am always ready to stand as far as my ability goes, and dear friends, I can assure you that your affectionate feelings for me are appreciated and more than doubly reciprocated. Kind regards to Mrs. Lowrey and the children.

Your friend,
M. M. BARRIEK."

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This fine letter, with the \$250.00 gift back of it, leads me back to the first check that was received in this endowment movement. It was a \$100.00 check from the noble J. G. Chastain, of Mexico. I remember that grey jeans suit that he wore for three years when he and I were fellow students here at the college. What a noble son of toil he was. For five years he hoed gardens, sawed wood, rung bells, took up ashes, swept floors, dealt in second hand books, preached to country churches anything that was honorable to pay his way in school. Now he is one of our noblest foreign missionaries and the first check received in the endowment was the \$100.00 from him, which was taken out of his living.

And this reminds me also that the beloved A. C. Watkins, also of Mexico, hunted me up during his visit to Clinton and gave his note for \$100.00 saying that he and his family would make sacrifices during the next four years in order that they might save the amount of their annual payment and devote it to this great work.

O ye sons of Mississippi, enjoying the prosperity that has come to our great commonwealth, examine your hearts. If you have done your duty, be thankful for such noble company as you have in the names above given. If you have not done your duty, be ashamed and do it yet for the sake of a good conscience and the great work that needs still to be enlarged.

Here is a fine letter from our newly returned prodigal, my cordial old classmate, Rev. I. P. Trotter. He sends \$50.00 to pay his first note which was not due until next January. But he wants to help swell the cash payments and sends it thus far in advance. I have heard with deep delight of the recent great victory won at Hattiesburg in paying off the last dollar of the debt on their magnificent church building. Hall sowed the seed, McMillin worked the crop and Trotter has reaped the glorious harvest. Great workers, all of them, in the vineyard of the Lord. Hattiesburg is one of the great churches in Mississippi, and one of the deacons recently said to me that they had one of the great preachers of the State as pastor. In fact, he doubted if Mississippi had a finer preacher than Trotter. Of course, he was a partial judge; but so am I, and his enthusiastic admiration of our newly returned prodigal brought great pleasure to the heart of his old classmate.

My brother, H. S. Cole, of Brandon, has my special thanks for the noble work he did for me in that city of governors, and my thanks are also due to the ones who helped him.

Bro. W. Z. Lea, of Liberty, has lived more than fifteen years beyond his three score and ten but his heart is young and he is still among the helpers. He sends \$5.00 and says that he expects to send that much every year as long as he lives. Uncover your heads and bow in reverence, ye

young and vigorous money makers. Learn a lesson from this aged servant.

Rev. J. C. Farrar has a high place among the loyal ones. Thanks, Bro. Farrar, for your noble work at Bethel and thanks to those that helped you.

Mrs. Sue Bell Johnson made me glad by sending up \$24.00 in cash as a contribution from Hillman College. She said they expected to make \$100.00 before the four years were out. Now that was nicely done indeed. Dr. John L. Johnson, the president, was down for \$100.00, John L. Johnson, Jr., the superintendent, was down for \$100.00, and this comes in as the gift of the girls. Thanks girls, thanks. When you want any of my college boys just walk in and help yourselves.

Rev. J. B. Quinn does not forget to be guilty of his old tricks. His noble work at Mars Hill was noted sometime since and before the time was out he had sent up a fine list from his Mt. Zion church at Little Springs. Thanks to him and thanks to them.

Bro. W. E. Young, of Trent was very kind and he had some noble helpers. May the Lord reward him and them.

Rev. C. T. Kincannon of Lexington, is worthy to be the son-in-law of the noble J. W. Bozeman. When he came to Mississippi, he became a Mississippian. I could not visit his church at Pickens but he took up the work himself and raised more than \$300.00 in cash and excellent subscriptions. I wish I knew how to show my appreciation. Bro. T. D. Tucker not only gave largely in money but he did efficient work in getting up the collection and the notes. Tucker has had my heart for years and has it yet.

If Estis Bass, of Carley, will give me a chance I will show him how I appreciate the work he did.

I am so glad to have Rev. J. R. Nutt back in his old pastorate in Flora in his native State. He did efficient service in rounding up the collection there. Stay with us, Nutt, and we will do thee good.

Rev. E. L. Wesson, of Sardis, does not know how to be otherwise than true. In his famine stricken district we could not expect large donations, but, through Wesson's efforts Sardis and Coldwater were heard from.

Rev. J. E. Barnett, of Leland, has proved himself a brother. He was born and raised in "The Free State of Rankin" and is now helping to develop our great Delta. The people of Leland love him, and Leland will be heard from some day. Wait and see if I am not a prophet!

Bro. T. J. J. Spurlock of East Fork Church, gave time and attention to putting the subscriptions there into shape.

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Thanks to Pastor Schilling, thanks to Bro. Spurlock, thanks to all who helped.

Money Adams of Ackerman, graduated in May and went to work in June. That was a good list which he sent up from his home church. Adams did not wear that senior medal away for nothing. We commenced hearing from the Adams family when this government first started. We are hearing from them yet. May they be strictly in evidence till Gabriel blows his trumpet.

I tried to reach Pontotoc, but I failed. Pontotoc did not fail, though. She never will while R. A. Cooper holds the reins; and she would not fail anyway, for there are many brethren there who help to constitute "the salt of the earth and the light of the world." Some of them wrote privately and sent their checks and notes, and Cooper sent a good list also. My private opinion is that Pontotoc Church is one of the best in our borders. They are strong in doctrine, large in love, and mighty in good works.

New hope church, at Slate Springs, did not fail to appear, for A. B. Hicks was pastor.

J. R. Hobbs has not grown weary. He keeps on working. His churches have fallen in line one after another and my appreciation has grown greater and greater.

I am neither a prophet nor the son of a prophet, but I can prophesy. Hear now my prophecy, ye Baptists of Mississippi: Twenty years from today Mississippi College will have an endowment large enough to make tuition free. She will also have a magnificent brick dormitory and dining hall where 300 students can get excellent board and excellent accommodations at absolute cost. When that day comes she will send forth her invitations and multitudes of struggling young men will seek her training and her impress. Great good will come to humanity and a mighty uplift to the Redeemer's cause. God speed the day, Amen and Amen.

Three hundred students next session! That is the war cry now; let every body shout and send names for catalogues!

Field Notes.

Laurel—This is the field of Low. With deep regret he was found "flat of his back" suffering from a severe carbuncle. How to see the folks scattered from "Dan to Beersheba" was the questions to be solved. As best he could, the tramp sought out the elect and while a few were not found, many were, and renewals, and a few new names rewarded the effort. Bro. D. S. Ingram furnished pleasant entertainment while in the city, and a horse and buggy and himself to drive. He seemed to think we had missed our way—that is had taken the wrong road. Why? So few had said yes; I want THE BAPTIST. But this is a common experience. Strange that

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everyone doesn't say yes; but they don't. This ramble has learned to "try, try again." The pulpit was occupied in the morning by Bro. Bowen and in the evening by the writer. Whether the people were pleased or not, the preachers were. Lucas heard Bowen and vice versa. It is to be hoped that all the pleasure was not with the preachers.

Mention should have been made of a pleasant sojourn in the home of Rev. Davis at Perkinston. He is preacher, farmer and merchant, and doing well with all these irons in the fire. Two Baptist churches in this town and this preacher had the pleasure of holding forth the Word at each church on the Sabbath day.

TAYLORSVILLE.

A day was spent very pleasantly at Taylorsville, visiting Mrs. D. Lee Wood and family, formerly of Abbeville, La., from which point the writer came to Mississippi, 1st of October last. It was gratifying to find the family happily located in a nice new home adjacent to her brother Dr. Huff. A few names were added to the list of the readers of THE BAPTIST.

Collins—This town has one of the most magnificent houses for worship of any visited in the State. In dimensions it is huge—60x74, and finished in neat style. The acoustics are the very best. T. D. Bush is the pastor and it is due to his efforts the Baptists have this house completed. A thriving town and a host of Baptists are there to move things. Look out for stirring reports from this field.

Braxton—Here Bro. Wayne Sutton is pastor, and they are just putting the finishing touches to a new church building—The Methodist brethren have just completed a neat house on the opposite corner.

One thing about these South Mississippi folk is they believe in the cause of Christ and they are not afraid to invest money in His cause. Quite a number of readers of THE BAPTIST live in the two last mentioned towns.

The writer is indebted to many kindnesses from the brethren. May riches of grace attend them all.

Having a desire to attend the Delta Workers' Conference at Clarksdale, the writer is again shaking hands with the good people of these parts. Hollendale and Arcola, the field of Rev. J. T. Graham, were the first points visited. The Sabbath was spent at Arcola and the pleasure of preaching for the people was enjoyed. He was brought under special obligations to Brother and Sister Reid for kindnesses received. A fairly good list of BAPTIST readers will be found in the town as the result of the visit. Several friends remembered the preacher with substantial tokens, for which thanks are extended. Benoit, Rose-dale and Gunnison were visited and many pleasant friendships were formed; but somehow the people did not want the State paper. Anyway the trip was not an ovation for this scribe. In the little town of Benoit live several old Arkansas acquaintances. It was pleasant to meet them again. Among the number was friend Biscoe, who in the days gone by sat under his

ministry occasionally when duty called him to Star City, Arkansas. The pastor at Gunnison was absent—fishing (for men). So failed to meet him. Mrs. James kindly gave shelter, and abundant bodily comforts during the stay. A look into the new church revealed the fact that they have one of the prettiest and brightest church buildings yet visited and best of all four consecrated women took it into their hearts to build a house for the Lord, and now it stands complete—and paid for. In the front a beautiful memorial window placed there by the W. C. T. U. of the State.

Clarksdale. The Delta Workers' Conference. This must be reserved for another note.

O. M. LUCAS.

Revival.

On Wednesday, June 25, a protracted series of meetings commenced at the Baptist church. Our pastor, Bro. C. A. Lovelace, was assisted by Bro. J. R. Nutt, of Flora, and Bro. Bell, of Poplar Springs. The preaching was done entirely by Bro. Nutt, and out of the fullness of his own dear loving heart the Word of light and life was preached in so simple a way that the "wayfaring man though a fool need not err therein." Bro. Bell, with his sweet Gospel singing, timely advice, earnest, consecrated prayers, led the people to the fountain to drink and live. We thank God for our good pastor and through his influence bringing such Godly men among us at the right time, right place, to do wonderful things for God. The church, town and surrounding community were greatly benefited and a grand revival with 30 accessions, 18 by baptism, with a number of confessions that will go to other denominations. The material gathered was some of the best in town, grand and noble young men and ladies, boys and girls. Oh, how our hearts bounded with joy to see our young people come out from the world and enlist under the banner of Prince Emanuel. Glorious sight it was to see 18 bright, promising young Christians led down to the water, following their Savior in the ordinance of baptism, but to God we give the glory.

REBECCA MANCILL.

An Explanation.

An article in THE BAPTIST recently is liable to do injustice to the memory of a good and great woman. A quotation was taken from the Times-Democrat to the effect that Mrs. Adelia Hillman served punch at the wedding of her niece. As one who was there I wish to relieve any brother's mind by saying that nothing alcoholic was served nor could have been with the consent of the mistress of the house.

P. I. LIPSEY.

Magee.

We have just closed a good meeting at this place. Bro. J. P. Williams did the preaching, greatly to the delight of us all. We received eleven members, six for baptism. We left many inquiring the way of life.

Your brother

J. R. JOHNSTON.

An Outline of a Sermon: I John 3:6,9-18

BY R. A. VENABLE

I treat this passage this morning by request. It is really difficult and has been greatly abused, either by reason of theological bias or from ignorance of the real meaning and force of the terms employed.

Note 1st, *That it is affirmed that no "one born of God doeth sin."* "Whosoever" is inclusive of all who are born of God. There is absolutely no exception. Not some who are born of God, "doeth no sin," but no one born of God "doeth sin." But, as if to make it stronger, John says, "he cannot sin," he is not able to sin. (literal). John does not say "Whosoever is born of God is able not to sin," but that he is not able to sin. He does not sin from sheer inability, he cannot sin. Whatever is meant by the words "cannot sin" "doeth no sin," it is affirmed that "the born of God" does not, and cannot do it.

Note 2nd, *The ground upon which John makes this affirmation.* (1) He doeth no sin because his seed abideth in him. The divine principle of life communicated to the "born of God," constitutes the ruling principle of the believer's life. In this birth-process God gives of himself to his offspring. God does not merely stimulate into action the ethical elements of man's nature, but he imparts a new element of life. He gives out of himself and of himself. That divine impartation renders as the life of the parent abides in the children of his loins. The fellowship of life is the abiding of the divine nature in all who are born of God. God imparts himself and so establishes a permanent relation. It is a relation of continued residence. The resident is God. His presence is the vitalizing power animating "the born of God" and assures victory.

(2) In verse 18th, John presents the ground of his affirmation from a different point of observation. "Whosoever abideth in him sinneth not, whosoever sinneth hath not seen him, neither known him."

Abiding in Christ assures us against sinning. Christ is the enveloping element of our renewed being. He is to us much more than a bird to the bird or the water to the fish. He is not only the spiritual environment of our renewed being, but he is the vitalizing source of our continued spiritual life. We live because he lives. We are enclosed and nurtured within the ramparts of his inviolable and invulnerable nature. On our entrance into the spiritual kingdom and family of God through the gateway of the birth from above we find our home and abiding place in Christ. We see him, we know him, live in him and sin not. If we sin we are none of his. (3). In verse 18th, chapter 5th, John gives still another reason why "the begotten of God" sinneth not. "We know that whosoever is begotten of God sinneth not; but he that was begotten of God keepeth him and the evil one toucheth him not." That is to say Christ keeps him. The Son, who was begotten of God, the only begotten Son, keeps all who are born of God. The evil one layeth not hold upon them, he

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cannot charm them with his touch or allure them away by his enticements into a life of sin.

Note 3rd, *The nature of those of whom John affirms they "cannot sin," "do not sin," "Whosoever is born of God."* (1) Not those who have received the "second blessing," who have had the root of sin extirpated by a second work of the Spirit as the holiness fanatics contend, but those born of God, all who are born of God. It is the birth out of God which insures the impeccability of those born of God.

(2) Not those therefore who have enjoyed large experiences of God's sanctifying grace, which is a promised blessing and privilege to all believers.

(3) Not those whose lives abound in the fruits of the Spirit which adorn the character and life of many of God's people.

(4) But "those born of God," and that too from the initial point of their life, just "the born of God," all the born of God, from the date of their divine birth.

(5) It might be profitable for us to inquire into the full meaning of this expression "born of God". The form in the original "the having been born of God" is peculiar and important. It carries with it not only the fact and act of birth, but the continuous efficacy of the new birth, that is, being born and still remaining a child of God, remaining because born of God, a child of God, being possessed of the divine nature, because of divine birth. It is the divine requirement realized of which Jesus told Nicodemus, "Ye must be born from above." It is the enjoyment of the blessing spoken of in John 1:13, "To them gave he the right to become the children of God, even to them that believe on his name, which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God."

1. This new life is manifest by certain signs: faith in Jesus Christ, righteousness and love. "Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God," 1 John 5:1, "Whosoever doeth righteousness is born of God," 1 John 2:29, "Whosoever loveth is born of God," 1 John 4:7.

2. Such are children of God. "To them gave he right to become the children," see John 1:12-13.

Any Christian, all Christians, are born of God, are of God his children. None except these are his, only "the born of God."

Note 4th, *The nature of the affirmation which John makes.* That "the born of God does not sin—cannot sin," "not able to sin," what does the apostle mean?

(1) Clearly he does not mean that these are exempt from sin because they are not under law. Such rank antinomianism is nowhere to be found in the Word of God. There is no such relaxation of the principles of truth and righteousness. If there is an exemption from all law, so that no sin can be imputed, because lawlessness only is sin, there can be no righteousness, no doing righteousness, because righteousness is as clearly a compliance with the eternal rule of right as lawlessness is its infraction. There is no scaling down of the eternal principles of the divine government, that

the Christian's conduct may go uncensured.

(2) It does not mean that those born of God do not and cannot sin voluntarily. It is a view sometimes advanced that John meant that those born of God may sin, but it is not voluntary. That he meant to say that the will of the new man never consents to sin, and cannot sin. All sins committed by the children of God are sins of the old man, and not the new. This view of course assigns to the renewed man a duality of being, a double personality. It attributes to him two wills, two affectional natures, a double intellectuality. The Scriptures and our consciousness and experience, both disallow any such theory.

Clearly the very essence of sin is in the will. No thought, word or deed that does not involve either an act or state of the will, can be a sin. If the will of the renewed man is not involved in the sinful act, then he has nothing to confess as sin, and nothing to be forgiven. It is a pure gratuity to feel a sense of guilt or crave pardon, there is nothing to pardon.

(3) It does not mean that those born of God do not commit a sinful act, and that they cannot commit one. This is manifest, from other portions of this Epistle. John says, "my little children, I write unto you that ye may not sin" 2:1. "If we say we have not sinned we make him a liar and the truth is not in us." "If we confess our sins he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." If any man see his brother sinning a sin, not unto death, he shall ask and God will give him life for them that sin not unto death. "If any man sin we have an advocate with the Father even Jesus Christ the righteous."

(4) The proper understanding of the words can only be gathered from the forms of expression used in the original language.

(1) The expression "whosoever is born of God" not only designates the fact of the birth effected, but also of a character imparted, and a relation established. The character giving norm is the divine life in the newly born; the new relation is that of child to parent, God the Father, the believer his begotten child, not adopted child, but a child by fellowship of life.

(2) The expression "doeth no sin" denotes not an act, but a continuing uninterrupted purpose or posture. Does not habitually sin, is not given to a life of sinful practice. The trend of his nature as begotten of God, is away from sin and toward righteousness. The posture of the renewed soul is toward the will of God. Sin here is considered in its two-fold aspect, its manifestation and its essence. The born of God, though he may, and alas too often is, guilty of sin as an act, but sin is not realized in its essence, because it does not arise from the controlling purpose of his life. It is not the assertion of the permanent stage of his will against the paramount authority of God. The divine life imparted in the new birth places the will of the believer in a coöperant state with that of the Father. With Christ as the unifying center of the believer's life with that of God, his whole being is held to God's order.

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Other influences may operate upon him, but they cannot wrench him from the orbit of the new creation. The permanent state of his will and hence the type of his character is divinely set. The real center of his being, which is divinely fixed remains undisturbed, because greater is the power of God in the renewed soul, than the power of the wicked one.

PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS.

1. The renewed soul is progressive in holiness. "He that hath this hope set on him purifieth himself even as he is pure." The divine in no way displaces the personal freedom of the renewed soul. Nor does it obviate the necessity for constant vigilance against the encroachments of evil.

2. The supreme test of the state of impeccability and the realization of the divine life in us, is that we are constantly aspiring for larger attainments in the Christian character and life. "Be not deceived, he that doeth (habitually) righteousness is righteous, he that doeth not righteousness is not of God." The extreme to be avoided is that of failure to aspire to holiness because of the fanaticism of those who have brought reproach upon the doctrine of holiness of life. That some claim to be perfectly free from sin, is no reason why we should be content to begirt with sinful imperfection and lack of zeal.

3. The power of sin and the personal source from which it comes cannot be subdued by any other than the divine life operating within us. The only way of deliverance from the empire of the devil, is through the invasion of the Son of God. God incarnate breaks the empire of sin, and frees the captives from the prince of the power of the air. Christ in us, God in us, delivers us, insures our victory in the process of our salvation. This deliverance from sin in us, begins with the new birth, is fully consummated when we shall "see him as he is."

4. Our Christian character and life are divinely wrought. We are God's handy-work created in Christ Jesus unto good works. We are born anew into the family of God. We are God's children, offspring by virtue of the new birth. Our holy religion in essence is a life; we are made partakers of its blessings by being animated by the divine life. To be a Christian is to have been made partakers of the divine life, not the acceptance of a creed, nor the observance of a ritual, nor the living a moral life makes us Christians, but the divine birth.

The Sovereignty of the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit is a Sovereign Spirit. He moves when and where he pleases. He would not be God if He could not and did not. The history of the gospel in all ages verifies the fact he is a Sovereign Spirit. While the prayers of all saints recognize this solemn truth, and that he is the sovereign dispenser of grace. He moves at times like the gentle breeze revealing Christ to this and that one here and there. Then a certain church or community is under the gracious

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power of the blessed Spirit. At other times though remote from each other he sweeps over a large district of country in his melting and converting power, and in his path "the slain of the Lord are many." How mysterious are the operations of the Holy Spirit, mysterious in the exercise of his sovereignty and mysterious in his work of regeneration.

Many sermons have been preached and articles written on how to secure a revival of grace, but I am persuaded that after all is said there can be no cut and dried plan which will work, nor one that the Holy Spirit in his sovereignty will be tied to. We are absolutely laid low and helpless at the feet of the Sovereign Spirit. We may and should arrange for revival meetings and use Scriptural instruments, but it remains for the Spirit to exercise his sovereign pleasure. He may or may not come in mighty power, and make bare his arm of salvation, or he may come at one time and not at another time. He may come on a sudden or may give indications of his coming. Why is this? The Spirit is sovereign and the sovereign dispenser of grace, and that is the answer.

The church may appoint a time for a meeting, secure the finest instruments, and stand on the tip-toe of expectancy and fail to secure the presence of the Spirit in power. At another time and with no special output of human endeavor, behold the Spirit is there and doing his omnipotent work of grace.

Some people believe it to be within the power of human to "get up a revival" and they work at it with energy, but it is like the several exhibitions of disturbed nature which passed before Elijah at Mt. Horeb; the Lord the Spirit is not in them, but in the still small voice. They may preach in thundering tones, may pray in the might of their lung power, may rend the air with their loud amens, but the Lord the Spirit fails to answer. But he may come in mighty power in the calm of a sweet song, or in a heart-felt exhortation, or in an unpretentious sermon, or in the relation of a Christian experience, or in a warm-hearted prayer, and the fire of his love goes from heart to heart and reaching out among the unsaved, burns like fire in dry stubble.

A church may be cold and indifferent and greatly need a revival of grace, and it has so happened at times that the preachers in the meeting have become indignant at the deadness of the membership and gave vent to their unholly feelings in scolds and wild ravings in order to arouse the membership and secure a revival. Ah me! What folly. It reminds one of the conduct of the prophets of Baal on Mt. Carmel. Their god did not hear their wild ravings and descend in fiery flame. But the calm faith of Elijah brought the answer from the God of Israel.

What therefore in view of the sovereignty of the Spirit in his dispensation of grace should be the attitude of God's people? In the first place we should understand and acknowledge his sovereignty, and feel ourselves to be as we really are, perfectly helpless, and in the next place pray, pray in our

helpless need and leave the answer to God, and if need be wait patiently on him, and rest assured he will answer, but he will do so in his own good time and way.

Behold a drought is in the land, the heavens are shut up and all nature suffers. Man is absolutely helpless, the help is found in God alone who "causeth the rain to fall upon the grass and the dew to descend upon the mown grass." What can man do, what does nature do? They cry unto God in their helpless need and in mercy he sends the copious showers upon the dry and thirsty land and all nature rejoices. Just so in the matter of grace. It is in the power of God alone to give grace, and our helpless need is our plea, and through Christ in whom all fulness dwells, he hears our cry and in mercy he giveth the grace we need, and the hearts of his people rejoice, and God alone is praised and honored in that day.

O. D. BOWEN,

ELLISVILLE, Miss., June 4th, 1902.

Greenwood.

Our two week's meeting closed last Sunday night. The meeting was held by the pastor and church. The statistical results were not large—one by experience and three by letter. Others, we have reason to believe, will follow. But there were other good results which cannot be set down in figures.

Miss Bird Stapp, the sweet gospel singer from Chattanooga, rendered efficient service in the meeting. Our people were charmed with her singing. She is to aid Pastor Barnett at Leland in a meeting, beginning the last Sunday in this month, and then goes to Texas to aid Pastor Solomon in a meeting at Kaulman.

A choir of about eighteen voices, composed mostly of our young people, with Miss Neva Trotter, of Winona, stood loyally by me during the entire meeting and added greatly to the interest.

Brother Stacy Lord, Esq., of Greenville, gave us a fine address one evening and most favorably impressed our people.

The outlook here is indeed most hopeful and encouraging. No people ever received a pastor more warmly or stood by him more heartily and unitedly.

We are making progress. Seven have been added since the first of April.

W. M. BURR.

June, 25, 1902.

In a private letter, Dr. Venable says, "You are giving us a good paper," which causes that good feeling to rise up under our vest again, which if a man feels once he wants to feel again and again. It is well known that the doctor is one of the very foremost preachers of his day; but it is not so well known that he is the pastor of the banner mission church in Mississippi, giving over \$300 to foreign missions alone, and to State and home in similar proportion. If the brethren will keep on helping us, as they are now so generously doing, the paper will keep on getting better from week to week through all the years to come.—Such is its aim anyhow.

There has been another disgraceful encounter in the U. S. Senate. This time in committee room between Bailey of Texas and Beveridge of Indiana, which resulted in the Indiana man getting his necktie torn off. These combative senators ought to be relegated to the shades of private life, until they cool down a spell.

It looks very much as if we are not to have one solitary Negro left. Now, it develops that the "patriot" Gomez was patriotic "for revenue only." To keep him and his negroes from "taking to the wood" again for another ten or more years war, Gen. W. had to pay him, first and last, \$35,000 to be friendly and patriotic.

It is very amusing to see how the northern press pretty generally palliate or excuse the Eldorado outrage. If a negro is lynched "down south," it is an awful thing, and conclusive evidence that the stronger race is depriving the weaker. But, if a whole school is mobbed in Illinois, as in the Eldorado case, it is condoned as one of the inevitable results of the two races living together. Indeed! Indeed!

B. F. Jacobs, the originator of the present "International Day-school Series" of lesson, died in Chicago on June 23d. He was one of the best Sunday-school men the world has ever known. He was one of the leading members of the Immanuel Baptist Church. His place as chairman of the executive committee was filled by the well-known Baptist from Massachusetts, W. N. Haysborn.

The "Temperance Lessons" that we have heard so much about in danger of being left out of the International Series were retained with great enthusiasm and unanimity. The chairman of the lesson committee, Dr. John Fort of Canada, said they had never once thought of leaving them out. They have become a part of the system and will be retained as long as the system lasts.

At the marriage of John D. Rockefeller to Miss Abby Greer, which the other day, the Bacchanalian custom of having wine at the feast received a severe blow. There were a thousand guests present, and the spread was the most elaborate that money could command; but there was no wine. Let all the young folks who get married after this, do likewise. Not only keep it off the wedding table, but keep it off the table forever afterwards.

The Standard's Paula correspondent throws some mellow rays of light on the "water cure" treatment of natives to extract needed information. He is on the ground and knows and says that, frequently the natives demand "water cure" treatment before they give the information which they are willing to give. If they gave information without it, they would be put to death by their people later; but, if they are "tortured" into it,

that is another thing—all of which relieves some cases reported of their horrors in as much as it was a mere form and not real.

Dr. Faunce, president of Brown University, in the course of his tobacco-laureate sermon the other day said: "Every branch of the Christian church in our Eastern States ought to have the moral courage to decline to recognize non-collegiate men as publicly authorized teachers of religion." That would be mighty hard on Dr. Lorimer, late of Boston, now of New York, but soon again to be of Boston, the most gifted preacher in all the mighty East. It would have been hard on Spurgeon in his day. It will also be noticeable that the distinguished president of old Brown is a "branch" churchman. If all the denominations are "branches," wonder where the body is—Christ is the head!

To the Children.

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DEAR CHILDREN:

There was not any fighting for the Tennessee army (except skirmishing) after the battle of Murfreesboro till the hard-fought Chickamauga battle in September 1863. Gen. E. C. Walthall was in command of our brigade after our return from Kentucky.

In the summer of 1863 our brigade was sent on special duty to Atlanta, Ga. We had a nice time on this expedition; but the federal army began a forward movement and this necessitated the concentration of all Gen. Bragg's available force to check the advance of the Yankees.

This concentration was perfected a few miles south of Chattanooga near Chickamauga Station on the A. & C. R. R. Our brigade was ordered to the front; so we left the city camping ground and came to Chickamauga Station where we went into camps and stayed until a few days before the battle. While we were camped at Chickamauga the late lamented and dearly beloved Dr. Palmer, the eminent Presbyterian divine made a speech to our brigade. This speech made a lasting impression on my mind.

Vicksburg had surrendered and the disastrous battle of Gettysburg had been fought and there was gloom and sadness all over our sunny southland. The soldiers were somewhat dispirited and I suppose Dr. Palmer was invited to make this speech to encourage the boys in gray. Gen. Walthall marched his brigade out into an open field and massed them in columns so as to make it easy for the great speaker to be heard by all. I think Dr. Palmer stood in a wagon. He was a rebel to the core. He was truly a typical southern gentleman, intelligent, eloquent, patriotic and enthusiastic. He seemed to have great faith in the justness of our cause and the ultimate success of our armies. He believed that God was on our side. Of course I do not remember much that he said; but I do remember this: "I believe," said he, "that no greater calamity could befall the negro race than for the north to win and give them their

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freedom. They would either lapse into partial barbarism or owing to their peculiar habits and characteristics diseases would multiply among them and they would be rapidly diminished in number, which would result in gradual extermination." "Furthermore," he continued, "I believe that God will use the southern army and southern people as he used Moses in delivering the Israelites, and as Jesus Christ delivers sinners. I believe my countrymen, that the southern army will be used as the Saviour of the negro race in the sense of friend and benefactor."

I do not say these were the exact words of this distinguished minister, but the sense of what he said as nearly as I can remember. I have often thought since the war that I would write to Dr. Palmer and ask him his opinion of this war talk. I wish to tell the children that many southern people thought with the preacher that freedom would be a curse to the negro.

Not long after this I had another remarkable dream. I will tell of this dream and the Chickamauga battle in my next letter.

UNCLE GEORGE.

Cascilla, Miss., July 4th, 1902.

Look here—To the first boy or girl under, or of the age of sixteen, who will write and tell me the exact number of times John uses the word love in any of its forms, I will send a nice book.—U. G.

An Evening at the Pastor's Home.

It was Monday and the ladies were over at the church at the missionary meeting. I was at home that evening in one of the rooms on the east side of the house. Several times I thought I heard something in the direction of the store-room but supposing that nothing wrong was going on, I did not go to see. Presently the ladies came over from the church but this they had done at other meetings, so I still thought that no harm was meant to us. I noticed however, that they had a very full attendance, and recalling the noise that I had heard in the direction of the store-room, and behold! the secret was out. It looked as though they had made a private survey, and had taken an inventory of what we did not have and the emptiness was thoroughly filled—and as "I thought thereon" I said, well I guess this stops for awhile this unending buying. It then occurred to me that something ought to be said and I went unbidden into the parlor where the ladies were "talking" and without an invitation, tried to make a speech, but I think that I was about as awkward as I was once before when I spoke without being asked,—but, then, she understood and it was alright. Aside from the store-room there were some other things of interest in the shape of envelopes. One of them contained two notes,—one was to "Uncle Sam" and the other was to me. The one to Uncle Sam in its coat of green was beautiful and timely but I liked the other equally as well for it was to me from my friends. The other envelopes contained that contested and yet coveted 16 to 1 with names thereon written, who will not be forgotten. And now may God bless everyone of you, and

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R. H. PURSER.

Brookhaven, July, 3, 1902.

We are glad to note in our travels that the tendency of our friends in the rural districts, is to provide attractions at their homes in the way of musical instruments. We do not know of any other agency so potent in binding the family circle, or in making the children love home and spend their spare time at home, as music, and we consider it a sign portending good not only to the families, but to the whole country as well, for it is a settled fact that the class of our citizenship depends very largely upon the esteem in which the home circle is held by its members. We say, let the good work of providing musical instruments for our homes go on. In this connection we wish to say that Messrs. Patton & White, of this city, make it possible for every one to have an instrument in the home, for they make terms to suit all. Write them for their plans of providing instruments. They are offering 20 per cent off now for cash purchases or for large cash payments.

Great Revival at Ellisville.

We have just closed a revival meeting of twelve days, which is regarded by many as the greatest in the history of revivals in this place. Rev. W. A. McComb, of Cryst-

tal Springs, preached through the meeting, and with great power, and the Word of God being accompanied by the Holy Spirit moved the hearts of the people until the town seemed to be under His gracious influence, while many who live in the surrounding country were affected.

The visible results are, the evident revival of the children of God, the upbuilding of the church, and 65 accessions—33 by baptism.

Bro. McComb is indeed a man of God, whose simple faith and prayerful spirit lays hold of the source of all power, and brings the blessing for which he prays. We are glad that our community has been favored with his faithful, loving ministrations.

And what about Crystal Springs Baptist Church? Well, it is beyond question the most unselfish and the most self-sacrificing church in the land. See how often the church lets her pastor go from her to help other churches. Noble, unselfish, self-sacrificing people of God at Crystal Springs. May our gracious God reward them abundantly.

I am glad to say that the church at Ellisville is among the foremost churches in our State, and is still going on to perfection, and may the recent great revival be followed by a steady growth in grace and in every good work.

O. D. BOWEN.

Ellisville, Miss., July 4th, 1902.

Dr. D. W. Bosdell, the beloved bishop of the Forty-first Avenue Church, Meridian, preached at Mt. Gilead on Saturday before the first Sunday in June at 3 p. m.; on the following Sunday at 11 a. m., and at night at Toomsaba. These three sermons were able and instructive, especially the one at Mt. Gilead on Sunday, on the office of deacon, the occasion being the ordination of Brother James Pigford to the deaconship, the best I have ever heard on the subject. Bishop Bosdell is young in the ministry and in age too and gives promise of becoming one of the greatest preachers of our Southland. Long may he live to preach the everlasting Gospel of the Son of God. He has been an instrument in the hands of God of adding over one hundred and twenty members to his church since he has been bishop thereof—about eighteen months. Brother L. A. Duncan, the great Baptist commoner of Mississippi, holds membership in this church and does all he can to uphold the church in all of her interests, and to aid and encourage Bishop Bosdell. By the way, I would say that as a layman Brother Duncan is the equal of any in the State. If any church in Mississippi can boast of having a better layman than he, that church is certainly very highly favored. Take Brother Duncan up and down and all around, he is certainly hard to beat. God bless THE BAPTIST, the editor, and everybody. Amen.

J. R. FARISH.

THE HOME.

De-Speakin'

BY PROF. BOOTH L. REY.
 It's been to head de speakin' down at Mr. Slocum's place. An' when I tink at o'p' dat speech I laughs mos' fit to kille. Dat white man sho' do make de sick. A runnin' whi' folks do. An' braggin' how de niggahs come To take an' boss 'em from. I know des wha's a niggah. He wants de niggah's vote. An' tink he gwine to take 'em. Des like a gang ob shoats. But some day when he min' to speck. An' blows roon' like dat. Some niggahs gwine to take speck. An' smite dat Sunday. Now dat man knows de color of folks. Wa'n't made to be de boss. No mo' dan dat old niggah. Wuz made to be a boss. An' how you s'pose a niggah gwine To git his grub an' cloze. Ef he aint got no whi' folks to run. To stan' fur wha' he owe. Des, imagine me riden' roon'. An' cussin' ob my boss. An' single footin' down de road. On dat Kentucky horse. An' wearin' stake and rickety shirts. An' stamin' up de checks. An' stamin' wid my rusty. Down on whi' folks need. An' gwine to congress on my knees. An' practicin' de law. An' writin' letters to de boss. Dat I aint never saw. Git out! When niggahs side reins. An' goes to de sin' roon'. De whole kerdoodle gwine to run. Right slap into de groun'.

The Bride Wears Red.

Red is the nuptial color in China. The coolies that carry the bride in her litter are dressed in red, and they hold a dwarf orange-tree loaded with fruit and coin, says the Apple Woman's Home Companion. The bride's compartments are stashed in red trimmings, present are carried on red trays, the banners borne in the procession are originally crimson, which are lightened by the rosy glow of the lanterns. Red umbrellas are carried and illuminated signs like in color. The canopy itself is decorated according to the wealth and the taste of the bride's family. A poor woman is carried to her wedding-feast in a plain chair painted red. If the family has wealth or rank the palanquin is very ornate, decorated with dragon-heads. The Chinese skill in working silk or gold cord is displayed in an artistic manner. When the bride appears she wears a red veil and the letters to her ancestors, whose blessing is invoked, are written on red paper. The bride generally wears a crown adorned with tinsel and

mock jewels—an idea which is much more prevalent in Sweden.

Under the caption of "Sealed Tightly," the Brookhaven Leader says:

"Following up the result of the local option election of last August, in which Monroe county went 'dry,' the city council lately adopted stringent ordinances bearing upon the handling of intoxicating liquors. For selling, bartering or giving away liquors or other intoxicating drinks, a fine of not less than \$25 nor more than \$500, or imprisonment not less than one month nor more than three months, or both. For procuring liquor for a minor or intoxicated person, \$50 to \$500, or not exceeding six months' imprisonment, or both. For acting as agent for either the seller or purchaser, \$20 nor more than \$150, and imprisonment for one week or two months, or both. For soliciting orders, whether to be delivered within or without the State, \$20 to \$150, one week or two months' imprisonment, or both.

"With one exception the council is composed of the same gentlemen who were members during the local option campaign, and the city administration was understood to be opposed to prohibition, but pledged the people at the time that if the county went 'dry' Aberdeen would be sealed as tightly against the whisky traffic in any and all forms as would be possible to make it, and they are now redeeming their pledges."

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The Guest.

BY MABEL EARLE.

One answered, on the day when Christ went by,
 "Lord, I am rich; pause not for such as I.
 My work, my home, my strength, my frugal store,
 The sun and rain—what need have I of more?
 Go to the sinful who have need of Thee,
 Go to the poor, but tarry not for me.
 What is there Thou shouldst do for such as I?"
 And He went by.

Long years thereafter, by a palace door,
 The footsteps of the Master paused once more,
 From whence the old voice answered pitifully,
 "Lord, I am poor, my house unfit for Thee;
 Nor peace nor pleasures bless my princely board,
 Nor love nor health: what could I give Thee, Lord?
 Lord, I am poor, unworthy, stained with sin."
 Yet He went in.

—Outlook.

Finances.

"The amount of cash received during the year for the regular work of the Home Board has been \$98,950.29, which is an increase of \$12,045.61 over the previous year. In addition to this, the Board has received in special gifts, upon which it pays an annuity during the life of the donors, to be used in connection with the Church Building Loan Fund and other investments, the sum of \$1,500. This makes the actual amount of cash received \$100,450.29, as against the sum of \$91,075.11 received the previous year. All of the States except five of the older and stronger ones, show an increase in cash contributions over last year."

Denominational Papers.

"The Board has had reason for continued grateful appreciation of the kindness with which our denominational papers have published items of information in

connection with its work. Our sincere thanks are tendered to the brethren throughout the States, who manage the various denominational papers, for every courtesy and kind consideration of the cause of missions as represented by the Home Mission Board. We expect to avail ourselves of this kindness more extensively in the future than in the past."

The necessity of some law to prevent the evils of intemperance is universally admitted. There have been laws in England, intended for this purpose for centuries; and we have always had such laws in this country. . . . The law should allow the sale for purposes just as extensive with the proper use, and for no other. When moderate drinking was thought to be the proper rule of use, moderate and careful selling was thought to be secured by the license laws. And when the rule of duty in regard to the use of liquors was fixed at entire abstinence, except for medicinal and mechanical purposes, the proper rule of law in regard to the sale of liquors became, by a logical necessity, that of entire prohibition, except for such purposes.—Hon. Woodbury Davis, Judge of the Supreme Court of Maine.

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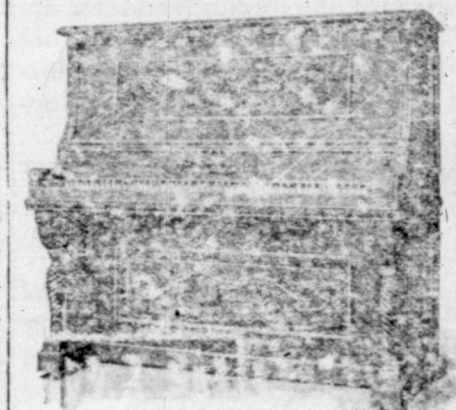
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THE B. Y. P. U.

W. P. PRICE, Editor.

Organizing Junior Unions.

I thought perhaps a few words on the organization of the Junior Union might be appreciated by those who are thinking about or preparing to organize. Of course we are going to have a great many Junior Unions organized this summer and the question will come to many, "What shall be the members of the Junior Union?" It is difficult to solve this question by applying an age limit, for age is determined not by years only. Some under sixteen years of age will be too old to enjoy the Junior work, and some of a greater number of years will be too young to enter the Young People's Society. In general a good rule to follow in this case is to win as many members of the Junior Union as are too young to feel at home and take an active interest in the Young People's Society irrespective of years.

Having called together these young people, and started them that they are to have a society all their own, let them proceed to elect their officers. There are almost as many ways to accomplish this as there are societies, but whatever way is adopted, the Juniors should be given free choice regarding their officers. If a nominating committee is appointed, let it be composed of Juniors with the leader. Make two or three nominations for each office and then let the boys and girls ballot for them. The following plan has been tried with great success: Furnish two tellers with blank ballots and pencils and let them see that each member is supplied. Then, without any nomination at all, let each write the name of the one desired for president. Boys and girls recognize their leaders, and when the tellers have counted the ballots you will be surprised to see how the minds of nearly all have settled upon a certain few as best fitted for the office. After this scattering ballot take another upon the two or three names which received the highest votes in the preceding ballot. Ballot on each officer similarly, and the result will be, as it should be, the choice of the Juniors.

During this election the leader should be peculiarly careful in her way of insisting upon order, but she must insist upon it. It will be very easy for utter con-

fusion to reign at such a time, unless from the first the boys and girls understand that they must keep their seats and refrain from all unnecessary talking.

During the week following the election the leader and newly-elected officers can meet and appoint such committees as are deemed necessary, such appointments being ratified by the Juniors at their next meeting.

The question as to the best time for holding the Junior meeting will soon come up, and must be settled largely by local conditions. In the majority of churches, where the Sabbath School is held just before or after church, Sunday afternoon is by far the best time, for the following reasons:

First, it gives the boys and girls coming from homes where the Sabbath afternoon is not made sweet and beautiful by thoughtful Christian parents a pleasant and profitable way of spending part of the day. What would our good, sturdy Baptist ancestors of two or more generations ago have thought could they have seen their descendants today spending the Sabbath afternoon reading light literature, visiting, walking, driving, riding wheels—anything to make these holy hours pass as gaily and as free from solemnity as possible? The Junior Union gathers these young people off the street and kindles in them an appreciation of the true meaning of the Lord's Day.

Second, it is easier to secure faithful attendance. Whatever week day is chosen the Juniors are sure to miss more or less of the meeting on account of demands made upon their time by teachers and parents. In order to retain their interest in the C. C. work, it is quite essential that they should miss as few lessons as possible, and the experience of many leads us to believe that their faithful attendance can be secured better upon Sunday than any other day.

Third, it is easier to maintain order. If the meeting is held after school during the week the boys and girls come trooping in with that disregard for order which characterizes freedom from restraint of school. Besides, the church is not in readiness as a usual thing. A Junior meeting should certainly be held in a cheerful, pleasant place. There is great help in getting started right. To let the boys and girls feel from the beginning that the officers, committees, time of meeting, and every other question of

organization, rest upon their decision, will give to them a feeling of personal responsibility in the ultimate outcome which the leader will find of the utmost value in maintaining order and quickening interest.

MRS. R. L. BUNYARD.

The Conventions.

MISSOURI.

The 11th annual convention of the Missouri Baptist Young People's Union convened in the Fifth Street Baptist Church, Hannibal, Mo., on the 18th of June. The attendance was large, and the addresses and speeches reported to be above the average. Howard P. Smit was elected President by acclamation. Many visiting brethren were there, and Bro. Starkweather of the "Baptist Union," Chicago, plead the paper's cause and not without results. We remember him as the Christian gentleman and hustling paper man at Wesson last November, and hope to have him at Oxford this November.

MISSISSIPPI.

The Mississippi B. Y. P. U. Convention goes to Oxford in November. It is hoped that North Mississippi will be at her best then and give us a banner attendance, for we are expecting it. This should by all means be the best convention that the Mississippi Young People have ever convened.

RHODE ISLAND.

The B. Y. P. U. A. meets in Providence on July 10-13. President Flake, of the Mississippi B. Y. P. U. Convention, has charge of the Mississippi party. If you can go write him for particulars at Winoona, Miss.

—As soon as the proceedings of the Convention have been given in our columns, we have a treat for our readers from the pen of Dr. E. Y. Mullins, on "The Call of Southern Baptists to Re-enforce Theological Education."

—We extend congratulations to Prof. H. A. Stovall, of Lena, on his success in winning the heart and hand of Miss Zella Slay.



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Personal.

—The full-page advertisement of Hillman College in this issue is the largest college advertisement ever printed in THE BAPTIST. The proprietors mean straight out business. They know there is money in printers ink.

—We extend heart-felt condolence to our Sister Ellzey of Anding in the loss by death of her honored husband, which occurred on the 8th inst.

—The Parish Street Baptist Church (col.) of this city, was burned by lightning on the afternoon of the 8th inst., during the electric storm.

—Rev. G. A. Grammar, pastor at Hernando, died in Memphis on June 29th, while there under treatment for nervous prostration and paralysis.

—Evangelist E. B. Miller regrets that a pressing engagement in Alabama will prevent him from attending our convention at Water Valley. We shall miss him, but trust the Lord will bless his work.

—In another column will be found an attractive advertisement of the famous Blue Mountain Female College. Read it carefully, and send at once for catalogue which will give full information about this truly great school.

—Bro. J. E. Phillips writes: "Our dear Bro. Ellzey passed away this a. m., (8th) at 10:30 o'clock after about ten days illness. God surely works mysteriously. This may reach you in time for mention this week. Some one will likely write something next week. This community is sorely bereaved."

—You cannot fail to see the large advertisement of Hillman College on last page of this issue. Do not fail to read it. Your fortune may be involved in the matter. The proprietors have purchased the fine piece of property contiguous to the present property on the west. This new purchase gives Hillman a magnificent campus. The owners show that they are there to stay.

—As the paper goes to press we are off for the convention. It is our purpose to present our readers to a full report of the doings of this great body. We hope, therefore, that none who have sent in contributions for our columns will be disappointed, if there articles fail to appear in our next issue. They will be good for a later issue.

—Chancellor H. C. Conn was our last president, and made a fine presiding officer. He is still in the land, and we trust will be honored with an invitation from the Convention to serve again. We believe in a second term, but not much in a third. We have many good men, and the honors ought to be well distributed. Honor and hard work are all that the President's office brings to the incumbent.

—On July 3d, the Crescent Hotel, at Eureka Springs, opens as an all-year-round resort, under the management of the Frisco System. Extensive renovations and improvements have been effected which will make the Crescent Hotel the equal of any hostelry to be found in the Southwest.

—Harris' Bus. College, Jackson, Mississippi, secures a greater per cent. of its students good positions, than any other business college. Why don't you take a course with them, and let them start you at \$50.00 or \$60.00 per month? They have had, during the past few months, thirty-two applications for bookkeepers and stenographers, that they could not supply; salary from \$40.00 to \$75.00 per month. Recently, twenty-one of their students secured good positions in ten days.

Deaths.

Moore.

On July 7th, at 7 p. m., Delia, B. little nine months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Moore, died in Jackson, after several weeks illness.

The burial took place on the 8th at 4 p. m.

A FRIEND.

Brown.

On 28th ult., I was called to Hernando to conduct funeral service over the remains of Bro. Herbert Brown. Twice in last month I have have stood by the open grave of young men.

Herbert had just passed his 28th year. The only living child of nine children. He was a great comfort to his mother, and a young man with many friends. But disease took him away from us all.

As we laid his body to rest, we were reminded of that funeral long ago. "The only son of his mother and she was a widow."

May the God who gave, comfort now in the hour of bereavement.

R. L. BUNYARD.

Como, Miss.

Married.

Nutt-Morris.

At the residence of W. J. Morris, Canton, Miss., May 29th, 1902, Mr. W. C. Nutt of Canton, and Miss Erwin Morris of Lena, Miss. T. E. Morris officiating.

Stovall-Slay.

At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Drury Slay, July 3rd, 1902, Mr. H. A. Stovall and Miss Zella Slay. All of Lena, Miss. T. E. Morris, officiating.

Knox-Robinson.

At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. W. W. Robinson, in Ripley, Miss., on June 17th, Mr. S. R. Knox, a popular young attorney of New Albany, to Miss Mattie Robinson. Rev. W. E. Berry, of Blue Mountain, officiating.

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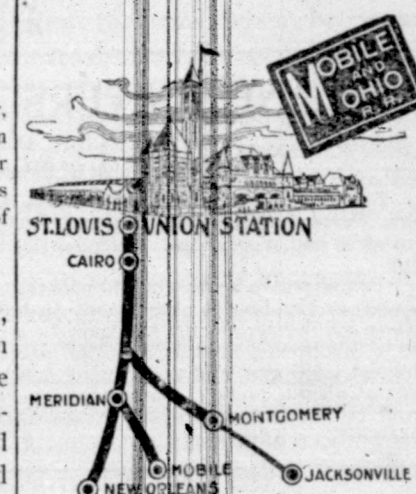
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plead,
Pluck the sweet rose from the bloom for
you now,
And when the sharp thorns pierce your
tender hands,
Pass on with firm tread and
lifted brow.

And He who reigns, O fairest Rose
of all
Will strew bright roses on the pathway
around,
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thorns
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sion Board work and opened to
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eign people. Possibly in no
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advanced effort as seems imperi-
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vention Boards. We are now
well into the second year of this
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Territories. By the terms of
unification of all the forces in
the Territories, it is provided
that the Home Mission Board
and the Home Mission Society
shall be equal in their appropria-
tions, and that churches shall be
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personal agency influencing them
toward either.—Christian Index.

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try adjacent and exert what
good influence they may have on
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sion Boards in the respective
States, encouraging the develop-
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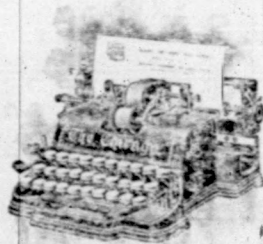
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edly, of the address delivered by
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Pennsylvania, on Pennsylvania
day at the Charleston Exposi-
tion. In the course of it, he said:

"We understand your pride in
Lee and Jackson, just as we glo-
ry ourselves in Grant and Meade.
The Lord may never decide when
the Gray and Blue hosts are as-
sembled before Him which were
right, and I am glad of it. The
only true patriots are those who
fight for their homes and family
and their convictions, and we
both did that."

We must do our duty as we see
it, and as it appeals to us, ac-
cording to our lights. More
should be expected of no one, and
no more can be done by any.

Surprising Statistics.

New York, May 12.—Startling
statistics on criminology have
been presented to the annual con-
vention of the New York Wo-
man's Christian Temperance
Union. One delegate read a
statement that a woman of
criminal tendencies, whose name
is not made public for obvious
reasons, died in 1827.

"Her descendants have been
traced," continued the speaker.
"They number 800." Seven hun-
dred were criminals, having been
convicted at least once. Thirty-
seven were murderers and were
executed for their crimes. This
family," the speaker continued,
"has cost the nation \$3,000,000
for trials and executions."

The use of beer is found to pro-
duce a species of degeneration of
all the organs. . . . Intellectu-
ally, a stupor amounting almost
to paralysis arrests the reason,
changing all the higher faculties
into a mere animalism, sensual,
selfish, sluggish, varied only with
paroxysms of anger that are
senseless and brutal. In appear-
ance the beer-drinker may be the
picture of health, but in reality
he is most incapable of resisting
disease. Compared with inebri-
ates who use different kinds of
alcohol, he is more incurable, and
more generally diseased. It is
our observation that beer drink-

ing in this country produces the
very lowest kind of inebriety,
closely allied to criminal insani-
ty. The most dangerous class
of ruffians in our large cities are
beer-drinkers. Recourse to beer
as a substitute for other forms of
alcohol merely increases the dan-
ger and fatality. — Scientific
American.

Let's Tax Murder.

The Western Christian Advoca-
te publishes an article, "Let us
tax it," by the Rev. Dr. J. C.
Jackson, of Columbus, Ohio, the
editor of the American Issue, the
national anti-saloon organ. The
conclusion is forcible:

"We wish it to be distinctly
understood that we are as much
opposed to murder, which is un-
lawful killing, as anybody. But
inasmuch as it seems to be in the
blood of the race to kill, and pro-
hibition has been demonstrated
to be a conspicuous and lament-
able failure in preventing mur-
der, thoughtful and level-headed
men ought to be willing to try a
system of repression by taxation
or license. Suppose a citizen of
good moral character, for exam-
ple, should anticipate having
trouble with some neighbor
which might result in bloodshed.
Why should he not go to the
court and pay, say \$350, for the
privilege of a pot shot at the per-
son with whom he was likely to
come in conflict. The writer has
seen the time when he would
have deemed the privilege cheap
at this cost. There might be
thus created for the State a fund
for bearing the expenses which a
misuse or unintentional result of
this privilege might cause the
State; as, for example, when a
man who shot at his enemy and
killed an inoffensive bystander
instead. And the exaction of
such a tax in advance would
tend to keep down the number of
killings, inasmuch as a compara-
tively few could pay it. And still
further, those who had paid it
would resolve themselves into a
constabulary to hunt down and
prosecute those who had not.
Thus the acknowledged evils of
murder would be abated and re-
venue for the State created, and
the people could regulate the kill-
ings as they chose by granting
or withholding the privilege by
a system of local option."

The writer is an advocate of
the regulation of killing by taxa-
tion—by a high taxation—be-
cause the system of prohibition
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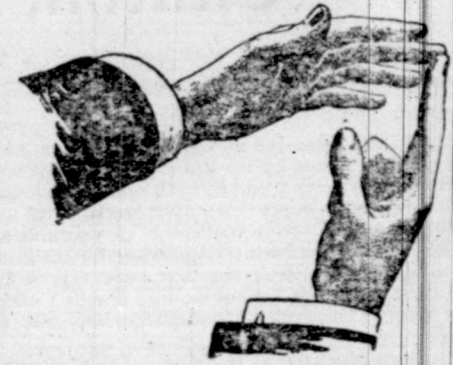
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F. M. OTT, Osyka, Miss.

DEAR DR. JOHNSON:—I was delighted with my visit to Hillman College during Commencement. I think the College very progressive and the faculty very proficient. I am sure my sister has advanced rapidly. With the very best wishes for the greatest success,

M. GRACE HAMMETT, Vicksburg, Miss.

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JOHN THOMPSON, Lorman, Miss.

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A. J. AVEN, Prof. of Latin, Mississippi College

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J. R. SAMPLE, M. D., Summit, Miss.

Since Dr. John L. Johnson has been in charge of Hillman College I have been well pleased with its work, and as one of its patrons, I can endorse any good thing that may be said of it.

J. C. COGDILL, Martinsville, Miss.

I am educating my daughter at Hillman College and I do not believe the school has a superior in the country. It is doing a noble work in the upbuilding of the young women of the South and I wish many more people could know of the great good being accomplished there.

J. H. TATUM, Edwards, Miss.

I am a patron of Hillman College and one of my daughters graduated there last session. I can heartily say that it is a fine school. The many improvements now being made will make it still better.

G. B. HAWKINS, Clinton, Miss.

My daughter graduated at Hillman College last May. It is an excellent school. While I was visiting there, I had opportunity to form my own opinion of it. The girls devoted themselves to study and showed that they had the best of care. I never saw better behavior in a school, and I would advise parents to send their daughters there, as they will have the finest training and be attended to if sick.

MRS. M. L. HOOD, Longwood, Washington County, Miss.

DEAR DR. JOHNSON:—As a patron of Hillman College, I desire to congratulate you on your eminently successful administration of its affairs; and the young women who have come under the wise and safe instruction of your splendid faculty.

J. M. SHARP, Prof. of Mathematics, Mississippi College.

My daughter graduated at Hillman College last session and it affords me great pleasure to recommend Hillman to young ladies desiring to enter a first-class college. I consider the faculty to be of a high order and the work done last session most satisfactory.

L. M. GUESS, McComb, Miss.

I had two daughters at Hillman College during the session of 1901-1902, and I take pleasure in commending the college to the favorable consideration of all those who have daughters to educate. The discipline is firm but kind and the instruction thorough. I consider the college first-class in every respect.

T. R. TROTTER, M. D., Winona, Miss.

I have known and been in touch with Hillman College since its infancy, have educated all my daughters within its walls and am a patron of the institution at the present time. I know the present faculty and can see no good reason why its work now should not surpass the glorious record of years gone by.

WM. BELL, Cynthia, Miss.

I have been a patron of Hillman College under the management of Dr. John L. Johnson and I think it is one of the best schools for young women in the State. The work is thorough; all the teachers are well qualified and experienced, and the boarding department is most excellently conducted. I heartily commend it to all persons having daughters to educate as a school worthy of all confidence.

J. C. MIZE, Sheriff of Scott County, Forest, Miss.

My daughter attended Hillman last session and we are indeed well pleased with her course of study and the care that was taken of her. Under the able management of Dr. John L. Johnson I can highly recommend Hillman College to all parents who anticipate educating their daughters.

J. A. ASHFORD, M. D. Bolton, Miss.

One of our daughters graduated at Hillman College last session. Mr. Green and I have nothing but words of praise for the college and faculty. I think I can send you my other girls; you know I have three more.

MRS. E. H. GREEN, Jackson, Miss.

As a patron of Hillman College for several years past, it gives me pleasure to state that the session just closed is the most satisfactory one in all respects that I have known. I commend it to all my friends.

E. B. POOLE, M. D., Clinton, Miss.

Hillman College, to my knowledge, is superior to any other college in the State. The faculty is one of noble, Christian character. Young women learn only what is beneficial in this great college. I must say, "It is a high class, Christian school of culture and refinement."

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